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For : MACHINE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING A TISSUE WEB

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Responsive to the Final Office Action of June 25, 2002, the period for response extending until September 25, 2002, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

*Please amend the claims as follows (Marked-up copies of the amended claims are attached to the Appendix):*

1. (Twice amended) A machine for producing a tissue web, comprising:  
a forming region with at least one circulating, continuous dewatering wire,  
wherein said dewatering wire comprises at least two zones having different wire permeabilities formed by warp and weft threads, and each at least two zones has at least one